

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/801,893

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 4/26/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 15-19 and 29-37.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 4/26/07
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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DETAILED ACTION

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 4/26/07 has been entered.
2. Claims 15-19 and 29-37 are pending.
3. The IDS, filed 4/26/07, has been considered. The filed references, although similar in technology, do not have enough evidence to overcome the invention, as claimed in claims 15-19 and 29-37.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 15-19 and 29-37 are allowed.
5. As to claim 15, the prior art does not further teach accessing the DFS main cache memory without accessing the DFS line buffer cache memory when the DFS cache memory is operating according to the high frequency DFS clock; and accessing the DFS line buffer cache memory responsive to a miss on accessing the DFS main cache memory when the DFS cache memory is operating according to the low frequency DFS clock.
6. Claims 16-19 are also allowable for incorporating the limitations of claim 15, and further limitations.

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7. As to claim 29, the prior art of record does not suggest or teach nor suggest the claimed cache memory system. More specifically the prior art does not further suggest having a main cache memory configured to store main cached tag and data information; and a main cache memory enable circuit configured to disable access to the main cache memory based on a DFS signal in the on state and configured to enable access to the main cache memory during the idle time based on the DFS signal in the on state and a miss on an access to the line buffer cache memory.

8. As to claim 31, the prior art of record does not suggest or teach nor suggest the claimed cache memory system.. More specifically the prior art does not further suggest having a main cache memory enable circuit configured to enable access to the main cache memory during an idle time in a single low frequency DFS clock cycle based on the DFS signal in the on state and a miss on the access to the filter cache memory and configured to disable access to the main cache memory during the idle time based on the DFS signal in the on state and a hit on the access to the filter cache memory.

9. Claims 30,32-37 are also allowable for incorporating the limitations of the parent claim, and further limitations.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Than Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-4198. The examiner can normally be reached on 8am-3pm M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Donald Sparks can be reached on (571) 272-4201. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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